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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

Applicant: Sachin DESHPANDE
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Examiner: Kaveh ABRISHAMKAR

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 5, 2004, applicant offers the following remarks for consideration by the Examiner.

REMARKS

Claims 1 through 23, now pending in the application, were rejected as anticipated by Zeng. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The independent claims (claims 1, 8, 15 and 22) all require that the arrays of transform coefficients to which a coefficient transform is applied be arranged "along an axis substantially orthogonal to an axis of packetization of said array." (Claim 1.) Zeng does not teach or disclose how packetization occurs. Thus, the Zeng reference is silent as to whether